

NASA Precipitation Processing System (PPS) Status





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Reminder of Role -- PPS



- The Precipitation Processing System (PPS) is a NASA prototype measurement based system
 - For processing or managing NASA's desired precipitation data sets
 - For supporting NASA designated precipitation missions
 - For making NASA's designated precipitation data sets available to users
- PPS is one of NASA's contributions to the Global Precipitation Measurement mission
 - PPS will ingest GPM partner data
 - PPS will process mission data
 - PPS will distribute mission data
- PPS is one of the data system elements that comprises the widely distributed GPM Data and Information System



Support for PPS



- Support for PPS comes from three sources
 - Budgetary
 - Technical
- Precipitation Science (NASA program scientist)
- NASA Hq initiative for evolution of Earth Science data systems
- Global Precipitation Measurement program



Changes Since Last Meeting

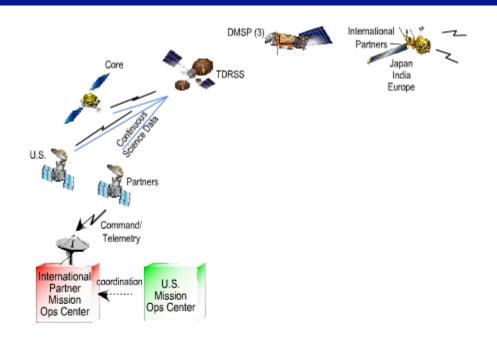


- Funding re-phased based on GPM launch readiness date
- PPS readiness schedule re-phased to reflect changes in
 - TRMM V7 reprocessing
 - GPM launch readiness date
- PPS will be NASA's distribution center for users of precipitation data rather than GSFC DAAC
- Near-realtime swath data will be in 5 min rather than 10min granules to minimize delays in availability
- Availability requirements under review
 - to deal with potential acquisition issues for MA access to TDRSS
 - to support a number of different scenarios for download
- Change in GV approach reduced the role of PPS in GV activities



New Operations Concept









Accomplishments Since Last Meeting



- Held PPS review for PPS Build 1
 - Build 1 intended to assume TRMM data processing
 - Reviewers from:
 - Science team
 - NASA Hq
 - Japan
 - JAXA
 - NICT
- Demonstrated PPS core management software able to run on
 - Linux platforms
 - SGI Unix platforms
 - Windows XP
 - MAC under X-windows
- Prototype GIS and Google Earth applications (GPM outreach)
- Prototype multiple radiometer processing (1C prototype)



1C Prototype – (Multi-radiometer)



- Develop and test a common logical structure that could be used for formatting a number of different radiometers
 - Implemented for SSMI, SSMIS, TMI, AMSRE, WindSat
 - Demonstrated for MADRAS and FY radiometers
- Develop and test
 - File naming conventions
 - Inter-calibration version approaches
 - Reprocessing approach
 - PPS GPM toolkit
- Inter-calibration software for radiometer data
- Interactions with GPM style Science Discipline Center
 - Joint activity with Colorado State University
 - Joint responsibility for algorithm code
 - Joint responsibility for data production and distribution
- 1C Data available
 - SSMI from Jan 1998
 - AMSRE
 - TMI
 - WindSat (roughly 4 months of 2006)



PPS--



A hybrid system that combines most of the PPS Build 1 but still has TRMM data system components

- TSDIS toolkit in use
- DAAC is the distribution center for general users

PPS- will

- Fully implemented ~Jan 2008 although some components earlier
- Be a very early prototype of the GPM PPS in actual operation
- Use AMD duo-core workstation based Scyld Beowulf cluster
- Provide test of high-speed clustered file system and general purpose RAID
- Hybrid processing environment
 - SGI for some Level 1A, 1B and 1C code
 - Linux (little-endian) for L2 and above

PPS- for users

- Provide GPM style services to existing TRMM approved TSU
- Provide online access to the world for TRMM data in gzipped format through anonymous ftp